

## **School of Leaders**

### Corrected and Approved Meeting Minutes

*August 11, 2013*

*Present:* Dan Daigler, Jeanne Penoyar, Deacon Jerry Driscoll, Bonnie Day, Tony DiBlasi, Fr Yvon Royer, Heather Cagney, Fred Letourneau, Diane Geoffroy, Carol Bemis, Bella Freedom

*Next meeting:* 9/8/2013

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#### **I. Opening Prayer**

#### **II. Doctrine**

Fr Yvon reminded us about today's second reading, specifically about Abraham's trust in God's call. Is the one who made the promise trustworthy? Is there something holding us back from accepting the call? The implication is that God used Abraham's trust to further His mission. If we say yes, He will use us.

What are we trusting? God loves us, He sent His son to redeem us, He comes to us in the mass. Why should we say yes? Saying yes comes with responsibilities. We need to be ready for the experience of God working in our lives and through our lives.

Discussion: Are we ready to fully accept God as trustworthy?

#### **III. Section reports**

##### Pre Cursillo

- Attended Ultreya at St Monica's, gave sponsor talk and handed out booklets and applications
- Spoke with Fr Schnobrich at UVM. He indicated that students would not be open to fr attending a weekend if it entailed missing Friday classes.
- Fr. Yvon suggested that getting the FOCUS leaders to attend a weekend might be a good first step. He will discuss that idea with Fr Schnobrich.
- No meeting held during the month.
- Discussion: Priests who have made, or might be encouraged to make a weekend. Fr Yvon will do some contacting with this idea in mind.

##### Weekend

- Assigned articles for Cornerstone
  - Judi on CDC
  - Bonnie on the importance of a good sponsor.
  - Armand and Susan will also do articles.
- Reviewed and updated weekend candidate letter. Included electronics prohibition.
- Judi has contacted Ann Gonyeau re: getting her school students into piety, study and action in preparation for the 18 year olds to be prepared for Cursillo.
- Green Mountain College tour discussed.
- Fundraiser chosen – Flower power, supplies ordered.

##### Post Cursillo

- Pictures for the Cornerstone.

- GMC discussed
- Dan will talk to the regional team about scheduling CDC in August.
- Plan initiated to talk to the priest in Wilmington about Cursillo, the possibility of him attending and explore his willingness to opening the church for small group meetings.

#### **IV. Green Mountain College report**

- One building will hold 100 +/- people. Food service in that building will be challenging, as the kitchen is not fully equipped.
- Wyth (sp) hall has several large rooms appropriate for meetings of 100. There is a banquet room, auditorium and sunroom ideal for use as chapel. The tables and couches are all on wheels, so rearranging the rooms for our use will be relatively easy. There is a stage and sound system.
- The small building, Sage hall holds 35 and is handicapped accessible. This one would be good for weekends.
- Target date would have to be second week of August, as national is the first weekend and school resumes after and the facilities will not be available.
- The food logistics will have to be developed. The caterer used by the college would probably be above our budget. We can bring crockpots and electric griddles and make our own food. We can preorder from the local (7 miles) grocery store and have the kitchen crew pick up the food. More discussion will be needed.
- Linens can be supplied for \$10 per person.

#### **V. National Encounter**

- Hofstra University
- Speakers were outstanding
- Topics covered, fundamentals, charism, history, pillars of grace, spiritual advisors manual, and are available on the web site.
- Fiesta was great.
- Next national will be at Chapman University, Anaheim, California on 7/31/14 to 8/3/14.

#### **VI. Structure of Ideas**

- To prepare rollo doctrine and testimony must be lived and studied to know completely.
- One must know what to say, when to say it and why it needs to be said.
- No talk should be over two hours, pay attention to the audience and stop talking before you lose their attention.
- Ideals talk is of the utmost importance.
- Habitual grace should be accessible and sure.
- Lay person in the church needs to tear down false concepts and be delivered with assurance.
- Actual grace- incisive, practical and dynamic.
- Piety – stimulating, interesting, positive.
- Study – coldly tearing down prejudices against Cursillo
- Sacraments- clear, enthusiastic, what Christ has done for us.

- Action – The essence of the whole Cursillo adventure, clear and convincing.
- Obstacles to grace – explore the realities of the difficulties ahead and suggest means to overcome them.
- Leaders – overcome objections and inspire.
- Study of the Environment – answers the restlessness to act, practical and optimistic.
- Life in Grace – convincing, practical, instructional.
- Christianity in action – filled with experiences, stirring
- Beyond Cursillo – stimulating, clear
- Total Security – summation and beginning of the post Cursillo, center in the group, not the reunion.

Agenda for September 8, Heather talk on Post Cursillo

Visit to the blessed sacrament.